

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PR. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) The Scheduled Tribes (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2005 introduced in the Lok Sabha on 13th December 2005, was revised and passed as the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, in the winter session of Parliament, 2006.

Scholarships for tribal children in Jharkhand

3475. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a large number of tribal children still do not get the due scholarships and stipends every year;

(b) the institutions in Jharkhand in which children have got stipends and scholarships during the last three years;

(c) when will Government adopt some system to give stipends and scholarships to the tribal children irrespective of where they study—Government schools, aided schools and private schools; and

(d) whether Government distinguishes tribal children while giving the above mentioned benefits as to which schools they study?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PR. KYNDIAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) As reported by the State Government of Jharkhand, scholarship is being granted to all Scheduled Tribe students whose parents'/guardians' annual income does not exceed Rs. 1.00 lakh and who are enrolled in government schools, aided schools and recognized institutions.

(c) A system is already in place.

(d) No, Sir.

Threat of Evacuations

3476. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: